

## RECENT ACTION OF THE COUNCIL REGARDING FEE-SPLITTING

At a regular meeting of the Council held on December 13, 1933, the following action was taken :

“It was moved and duly carried that the Council authorizes the sending of a statement to each Fellow and Member calling attention to the ruling of the Council regarding fee-splitting and asking that careful attention be paid in this regard to any candidates whom they may endorse for the consideration of the Committee on Admission.”

The Council now wishes to reaffirm its stand taken when it addressed to the Fellowship of the Academy on November 17, 1930, a letter reendorsing the Academy's adoption of the following resolutions of May 24, 1911 :

“RESOLVED that the secret division of a fee, or fees, with any person, or persons, who may be instrumental in influencing a patient, or patients, to apply for operative care or professional advice, is unworthy of any member of the medical profession.

“RESOLVED that if such a division of fee is made by a member of The New York Academy of Medicine, it should be counted as of sufficient ground for the expulsion of the member.

“RESOLVED that the Council considers it its duty to investigate charges against members made on the basis of such division of fee, and on receipt of proof of offense the Council may either permit the resignation of the person or expel\* him from the Academy.”

Very sincerely yours,

FOSTER KENNEDY, *Recording Secretary*

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\* The present Constitution of the Academy provides that the Council may only recommend expulsion to the membership.